

STATE OF TENNESSE
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 491
SENATE BILL NO. 1919

By Johnson, Overbey, Faulk, Marrero, Finney

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1468

By Shepard, Gilmore, Cooper, Hackworth

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-20-202, relative to redevelopment projects.

WHEREAS, in an effort to systematically fight urban blight and dilapidation the legislature authorized the creation of redevelopment projects and the use of tax increment financing for these projects; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of redevelopment projects serves a vital and broad public purpose; and

WHEREAS, current state law relative to demolition, relocation, remediation, installation, construction, reconstruction and spending powers of housing authorities, community development agencies, and development authorities when undertaking redevelopment projects was last amended in 1998; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to update current state law relative to such powers in order to encourage the use of sustainable infrastructure, energy efficiency technologies, green building and other modern practices that will benefit a district; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-20-202(a), is amended by deleting subdivisions (C) and (D) in subdivision (4) and by substituting instead the following:

(C) Install, construct, or reconstruct parks, public open spaces, public playgrounds, pedestrian ways and all parking structures regardless of use in accordance with a redevelopment plan;

(D) Pay expenses for relocation, administrative costs, planning and engineering costs, energy efficiency costs and legal expenses associated with exercising the powers granted in this section or with carrying out a redevelopment plan;

(E) Pay the design costs, commissioning costs and fees, and costs of required documentation associated with meeting the requirements of LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), Green Globes or other similar programs as well as greening costs and energy modeling costs for certification by such programs of both new construction, existing buildings and other projects;

(F) Install, construct, add to, improve or reconstruct public infrastructure, including, but not limited to, water, solid waste, transportation, telecommunication, energy use capture and transmittal, power systems, and alternative power systems or alternate power projects that incorporate principles of urban sustainability, eco-efficiency, and global sustainable development; and

(G) Take all other necessary actions designed to further the goals and local objectives articulated in the redevelopment plan.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: June 2, 2009



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 23rd day of June 2009



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR